

NC IOLTA FUNDING

CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES CRITERIA

CIVIL LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE POOR

The Civil Legal Assistance for the Poor grants program provides general support for a network of organizations that together provide basic access to the justice system for low income people residing in every county in North Carolina. Some of these grants support legal assistance for specific client services and serve specific client groups.

Funding Criteria

Preference generally will be given to requests from applicants:

- Having multiple-funding sources;
- For the direct representation of clients or client groups, including community legal education and community economic development;
- For staffed legal assistance as the most effective and efficient means by which to deliver high quality legal assistance to the poor, including pro bono efforts as an important supplement to staffed legal assistance;
- Supporting current qualified providers over additional separate programs except where a separate program can address client needs more effectively and efficiently;
- Cooperating in the delivery of legal assistance through The NC Legal Services Planning Council, and, in areas with multiple providers, undertaking cooperative efforts as appropriate;
- Developing innovative client service techniques and evaluating their effectiveness and efficiency;